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NAKAE et al.	) )
Application Number: 09/527,440	) Art Unit 1631
Filed March 17, 2000	Examiner Clow, Lori A
For: PRIMER DESIGN SYSTEM	) )
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### **COVER LETTER**

Sir:

[x] The fee for submission of additional claims is calculated as shown below:

For	TOTAL WITH NEW CLAIMS ADDED	TOTAL CURRENTLY ON FILE	CLAIMS PAID	RATE	CALCULATION
Total Claims	12	12	(Over 20)	x \$18	0
Independent Claims	3	3	10 (Over 3)	x \$84	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S)				+ \$280	0
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TOTAL			0.00		

In addition, the below-identified communications are submitted in the above-captioned application or proceeding:

[x] Response to Office Action (with Claim Amendments)	[ ] Petition for Extension of Time (_ months) [ ] Terminal Disclaimer
[ ] Preliminary Amendment	[ ] Letter to Draftsperson
[ ] Substitute Specification	[ ] Assignment

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# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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### RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the office action dated February 24, 2003 and the interview conducted on April 25, 2003, in the above identified application, the period for response which will expire on May 24, 2003. Please amend the above identified application with the replacement paragraphs/sections/claims as follows:

#### **IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace pages 34-36 of the Disclosure currently on file with the following paragraphs:

running the necessary programs was used for each of the patterns.

#### Pattern I

Only primer designing was carried out. Pattern I involved running a process for designing a pair of partial sequences from the predetermined template DNA sequence A1, which is